REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 9-53 and 55 are pending the present application. The Examiner has rejected claims 1-6, 9-53 and 55.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

Claim Rejections Under 35 USC § 112

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-6, 14-25, 27-53, and 55 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Examiner further states that "Claim 1 contains the symbol 'd', however no claim language has been provided to clearly define the symbol in claim 1 therefore claims 2-6, 10-25, 27-53 and 55 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph."

Applicant has amended claim 1 to provide definition for the symbol "d".

Double Patenting

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-6, 9-53 and 55 on the ground of non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting as being un-patentable over claims 64-100 of U.S. Application 11/952,446.

Applicant has received an office action in Application 11/952,446 and will be amending those claims. If the double patenting issue remains after such amendment, Applicant will then execute a terminal disclaimer.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request that this application be reexamined and that the claims, as amended, be allowed.

Please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 07-1896.

Respectfully submitted,

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